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# A REVEALMENT **MOST SENSATIONAL**

George Green, Known as Married Man, Proves a Woman.

## DEATH TELLS THE SECRET

Amazement of Gentlemen Who Dressed the Corpse.

#### RELATIONS IGNORANT OF IT

The Wife Overcome With Grief, But Now That George is Dead, Cares Not That the Secret Kept for Forty Years in Her Own Breast is Known to the World-People of Ettricks Are Much Exercised.

(Special Dispatch to The Times)

PETERSBURG, VA., March 21.-The little manufacturing town of Ettrick, across the river from this city, is under intense excitement over the greatest sensation known to its oldest inhabitants. George Green, a citizen known to every man, woman and child in the vicinage as a man, turns out to be a wo-

George Green, who was seventy-two years old, and who for ferty-one years hal been known to the world as the hus band of Mary Green, who had mixed with men, consumed a man's daily ration of tobacco, worn boots, trousers, suspenders, coats and walstcoats, was a female.

A REMARKABLE LIFE.

George Green died at home in Ettrick, near this city, at 3 o'clock this morning.

Green came here three months ago from Raleigh, N. C., near which place he owned a large cotton plantation. Being an invalid from a complication of heart disease and dropsy, Green hed done no work for a year, and was supported by his wife and sister's children, most of them worked in the cotton wills in Fig. whom worked in the cotton mills in Et-trick. When Green's death became known the sympathy of the little town aroused, and men, out of pity for human-ity, offered their assistance to the widow. Three gentlemen went in to prepare the

ATTENDANTS ASTOUNDED. When the apparel had been removed and the identity of the form became ap-parent to these gentlemen, they stood speechiess, gazing at each other. It seemed moments before a word was spoken, and one of the number, almost overcome by surprise, declared in an audible whisper, "He is a woman." These words relieved the awful silence, but the evident fact remained in the minds of these gentlemen that they were preparing the body of a woman for burial.

They did not rush hastily at conclusions but were satisfied that their first impres-tions were correct. They proceeded with the utmost care to examine and prepare the body, and so it was dressed in its accustomed masculine apparel, and was teady for the undertaker. When the men left the home, they could hardly speak of it for consternation.

From the innocent expressions of the faces of the little family it is evident that they have been ignorant of the fact. whom they called uncle was indeed a woman. They disdained the suggestion. nd when it was told them that such wa ported to be true, they said "The face celf would show he was a man." CHANGE FROM BAD HEALTH.

Green, thirty-five years ago, weighed yer two hundred pounds. Disease and age have wrought their work upon the one hundred and twenty pounds. The face showed no sign of beard, and the man who went through the process of shaving, said only two or three white hairs were to be found on the face. Daily has Green worked with men, and never a suspicion that their companion was a woman. Everywhere Green's identity has been

undiscovered, and but for the fact that men were called to shroud the form the public would never have known that Green, the husband, was a woman. The bedy in form and figure, and every respect, resembles that of a woman. The face, rather dark in complexion, is decidedly teminine, when carefully looked futo, shows unmistakable feminine lines. Green was the last born of triplets, and Green was the last born of triplets, and the mother died at their birth.

but upon awaking he found his money gone. the mother died at their birth.

Green came to America from England when only a child, and lived for many Sears in Canada, going from there to Rochester, New York, then to the oil Rochester, New York, then to the on district of Pennsylvania, then to Erie district of Pennsylvania, then to Erie in \$500.

Table was bailed this morning. He impediately made a statement denying the charges and asking a suspension of judg-

Wake county, North Carolina, about five miles from Raleigh.

In Erie county thirty-five years ago Green married Mrs. John Biddle, of War-ford, Pa., who was Miss Mary Givens, of Ohio. Green and the wife came to tree-reburg about three months ago. Mrs. Lizzie Coover, now living in Eric, Pa., is a daughter of Mrs. Green by her first parties and its a woman about fority. marriage, and is a woman about forty-one years of age.

GREEN'S FAMILY.

Green had a brother and a sister, the latter, Mrs. John Moriarty, who, with four sons and three daughters, lives in

this city.
When Green went to Raleigh twentyseven years ago, the now emaciated body weighed about two hundred and body weighed about two hundred and twenty-tive pounds. For the past year Freen has been an invalid, suffering from dropsy and heart trouble, and it was this complication of diseases that caused death. The entire family disclaim the idea that the body is that of a woman and say that idle slanderous tongues are responsible for the report for which there is not the slightest foundation. From the evidence of the three men who shrouded the body not the slightest doubt prevails that Green was men who shrouded the body not the slightest doubt prevails that Green was a woman, and Mrs. Green herself, now that death has revealed the truth, makes no further denial of her strange mat-

ing between women.

OVERCOME WITH GRIEF. The wife is almost overcome with grief. No sorrow more profound or deeper was ever seen. As soon as the body had been ever seen. As soon as the body had been prepared Mrs. Green, the wife, was interviewed. "Did you know your husband was a woman before you married him," she was asked. "No," replied as firmly as her grief would permit her to emphasize her words.

Then she was asked if any one save

herself knew that Green was a woman.

She said that no person on earth cave herself knew it; that it was a secret known to them alone, and she had kept it carefully guarded from the world, mother, father, sisters—all—and that the family then in the house knew it not.

To another question she realist that

To another question she replied that she could get no woman to assist her in preparing the body, and then the masculine neighbors offered their services. She was told that the secret she had borne in her bosom so many years could have been buried with the woman she had loved as passionately as if she were a man, had she only attended the body

NO LONGER A SECRET. She said: "I know it, but death has come now; it can do her no harm for the truth to be known." She was questioned further, but resolutely declined to say

nen for each other existed may never be

The reporter called several times this afternoon and evening for another conversation with the grief-stricken woman, but he was not permitted to see her. Each time he was told that she was peacefully sleeping, and her family refused to wake

Back of all there may be still a deeper mystery. Many reasons are suggested for this disguise, but absolutely nothing Green is said to own som valuable property near Raleigh, N. C. but this case obtained recently, and therefore, could not be connected with the disguise.

It is a mystery still unsolved, and the problem can only be worked out by the woman so long thought to be a wife. MANY RUMORS.

All sorts of rumors are affoat in Et tricks to-night, and the intensest curiosity prevails in regard to the case.

It is believed by some that Mrs. Green will now prove to be a man, and that they swapped identity for some purpose known only to themselves. So certain are citizens that further revealment will come that there was talk to-night of watching the house. Green is said to have considerable property in

# ORDERED FROM THEIR OWN HOMES

#### Cave-in on Park Avenue Rendered Them Unsafe—Loss Nearly \$100.000.

NEW YORK, March 21.-Park Avenue, this city, to-day was again the scene of an accident, which, while it entailed ne loss of life, caused a property loss of considerable proportions. The brownstone fronts of several four-story private houses on the cast side of the avenue sank from the undermining of the foundations by excavations for the Rapid Transit tunnel.

The first serious cave-in oc the sidewalk and areaway of No. 55 Park Avenue sank to a considerable depth, leaving the front wall with no support ard exposing the cellar. The houses on either side of No. 55 were also rendered unrafe. Late in the afternoon a further settling of the walls and sidewalks and the residents on the cast side of the block were ordered by the police to leave their The financial loss was estimated at \$75,000 to \$100,000.

# RIVERS AND HARBORS **BILL PASSED BY HOUSE**

Not a Dollar Added to the Appropriation.

OVER SIXTY MILLIONS

The Senate Passed Two Important Bills Yesterday.

TO HAVE A MILITARY GUARD

Bill for Protection of Chief Executive Provides One That Shall Be Furnished With No Unnecessary Display-Other Measure Enacted by the Upper House Was for Repeal of War Revenue Tax.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21 .- The House to-day passed the river and horbor bill, which has been under consideration throughout the week. Although several minor amendments were adopted, not a single dollar was added to the not a single dollar was added to the measure, and as passed it carried exactly what it did when it came from the committee—\$50,688,267, including authorizations. Mr. Sulzer, of New York, attempted to force a record vote on the final passage of the bill, but only three members. Messrs. Smith, of Iowa; Fitzgerald, of New York, and Cochran, of New York, and Cochran,

of Missouri, supported him.
Something of a flurry was caused by
an amendment offered by Mr. Gaines, of
Tennessee, to an amendment, which was presented and adopted yesterday on mo-tion of Mr. Richardson, of Tennessec, to permit the Secretary of War to grant es to the owners of land abutting lock and dam number one at Nashville, Tenn., for the use of the water power created by that dam, to allow the con-struction of inlet and outlet canals, etc. Mr. Richardson's amendment met with no opposition yesterday. Mr. Gaines amendment to the amendment provided that the lease or grant of this water power should be to the bighest bidder. NO PERSONAL INTEREST.

Mr. Richardson explained his connec-tion with the original amendment in which he said he had no personal inter-

to obtain the privilege of using the water ower at Nashville, he and Senator Carmack came to Washington to see the Sec-retary. War about the matter. The secretary, he said, declined to grant the request for the use of the water, saying it was a matter which Congress should pass upon. There the matter reside un-til a short time ago. Mr. Richardson said. when his constituents asked him to call when his constituents asked that to can the matter to the attention of Congress, and he had done so. "I had no further interest in the matter." said he, "than to do my duty by my constituents, who had asked me to come here, and who had paid my way."

Mr. Gaines insisted that the rights to be

## W. LINDSAY BIBB HELD ON A SERIOUS CHARGE

#### Contestant for Seat in Legislsture Accused of Larceny of \$260 from a Norfolk, Virginia, Hotel.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.)

NORFOLK, VA., March 21.—The arrest licie to-night of W. Lindsay Bibb, contestant from the Good Government side for a Legislative seat from this city, created a sensation. The charge against bibb, was that he took from the room at undiscovered, and but for the fact that him was that he took from the room at

> Newspaper men were not allowed to learn from Bibb his side of the case to-night. The friends of the accused claim that political reasons underlie the arrest. A Lagorie will become Bibb's bondsman

## THE METHODISTS GET TOGETHER

#### Joint Commission of Churches, North and South, Meets in Baltimore.

(By Associated Press.)

BALTIMORE, MD., March 21.—The first session of a joint commission representing the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, began to-day at the Woman's conference is

A member of the commission of Northern branch of the church said that the result of the conference will undoubt edly be far-reaching, and it will be impossible to predict its general scope.
Following are some of the items that will be brought up for consideration:
Unification of mission work in all for-

eign fields.

Strengthening the various posts of the two churches by thorough organization and equipment.

The establishment of a more economic basis of operation.

The establishment of a joint theological seguinary in the foreign field. elgn fields.

concern and publishing house in China.

The establishment of secular and religious papers in the foreign fields. A large number of other important questions will be discussed at the session of the commission, some of which will refer to the work in the home field.

The joint commission is commond.

The joint commission is composed as Methodist Episcopal Church, South-Methodist Episcopal Church, South-Bishops John C. Granbery, W. W. Duncan and R. K. Hargrove; Rev. Dr. E. E. Hoss, Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. G. G. Mas-Dowell, Judge Walter Clark, Raleigh, N. C.: Prof. R. W. Jones, Oxford, Miss, and Col. Asa Holt, Abilene, Texas.

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Methodist Episcopal Church-Bishops
S. M. Merrill, J. M. Walden and Circus
D. Foss; Rev. Dr. John F. Goucher,
Baltimore; Rev. Dr. H. G. Jackson,
Chicago, Ill.; Rev. R. J. Cook, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Judge Thomas H. Murray,
Clearfield, Pa.; R. T. Miller, Cincinnati,
Ohio; T. B. Sweet, Topeka, Kansas.

#### KILLED HIS EMPLOYER,

#### The Act Justified by the Circumstances. Conductor's Arm Mashed O'f. (Special Dispatch to The Times.)

RALEIGH, N. C., March 21 .- Q. S. Adams, a farmer in Barton's Creek Township, was shot and killed this afternoon by John Nipper, an employe on the farm. Adams came to Nipper's house intoxicated, was overbearing, struck his mother, and attacked Nipper himself. Later Nipper got a gun and shot him dead. The load of shot took effect in his right breast. He then went to an officer and gave himself

up.

The killing is generally pronounced justinable. Capt. W. J. Rand, of Raleigh, Seaboard Air Line freight conductor, fell from his train at Cheraw this atternoon, and his left arm crushed so that amputation

was necessary.

Rand was riding on a flat car and fell South, began to-day at the Woman's College in this city. The conference is private.

A member of the commission of the c

#### WAS IRRESPONSIBLE.

Elevator Attendant Twice Set Astor House Afire.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 21.—Edward Farley, who was an elevator attendant at the Astor House, was arrested to-day, charged with causing the two mysterious fires in the Astor House last Wednesday

given away under his colleague's amend-ment were exceedingly valuable. He said that a New York concern had offered At the War Department, he said, it was estimated that the war rights at Chattanooga. At the War Department, he said, it was estimated that the waer right; at Nashville were worth several million dollars. After some further discussion the Gaine's amendment, modified slightly, was adopted.

#### In the Senate.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21.—Two
important measures were passed by the
Senate to-day—the bill for the repeal of the war revenue taxes and that for th protection of the President of the United States. The revenue bill was passed The revenue bill was passed without division and after only one shor speech. Mr. Tillman embraced the op-portunity to protest against the repea of the duty of ten cents a pound upon

The owners of tea now in this country The owners of tea now in this country in bond, Mr. Tillman said, would get the benefit of the gemoval, of duty to the amount of \$0,000,000. Since the duty had been levied upon tea the United States had been receiving a better quality of tea which had been supplied to the people at no increased price. He said, too, that the experiment of tea culture was being made in South Carolina, and he believed it would be successful. This was a "bay industry" and really needed the protec-tion. The tea culture industry gave occupation to many colored children, and might do much other good.

The bill for the protection of the President was under discussion during the greater part of the session. Mr. Patterson, of Colorado, made an extended speech in opposition to it, and Mr. Fairbanks, of Indiana, advocated it in a forceful address. Amendments were offered by Senators

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# SEVERAL NORMAL SCHOOLS NEEDED

#### Earnest Presentation of the Subject by Dr. Frazer, of Farmville.

The Committees of the Senate and House on Public Institutions and Education held a joint session last night. A number of the members of the Richmond Education Association were present for the purpose of presenting to the commit tee the importance of establishing one or more State female normal schools in addition to the one in operation in Farm-

Mr. J. Stewart Bryan, representing the association, addressed the committees briefly. He was followed by Dr. Rober Frazer, until recently at the head of the Farmville School. Dr. Frazer thought the State could not find a better way to spend \$200,000 than in the concation of female teachers to whom to entrust the instruc tion of the 700,000 children of the State The State now spends \$2,100,000 on public schools. Dr. Frazer thought it would do better to put \$1,600,000 on public schools and \$500,000 on normal instruction. The State should have at least five or six more normal schools like the one at Farmville. This would be better than to Farmville. This would be better than to enlarge this school, as the best results come in a school of about 250, thinks Dr. Frazer. The Farmville School cost the State but \$15,000 a year.

"The great trouble with the schools of the State," said Dr. Frazer, "is the lack of competent teachers. Teaching is one thing; hearing lessons another."

Dr. Frazer thought any live Virginia town would get together \$100,000 to start such a school if the State would then locate it. The school, apart from other benefits, would bring over \$15,000 a year to the town in cash, a good return on an

outlay of \$100,000. The suggestion of the association was more additional female normal schools be referred to an ad interim committee to report to the next Legislature. The com mittee took no action last night, but this course will probably be followed. Among those present were: Mrs. B. B. Valentine, Mrs. L. R. Dashiel, Mrs. E. C. Minor, Miss A: N. Parker, Mrs. Al-hert Brice, Miss Blair, Miss Elizabeth Robinson, Miss Virginia Ellett, Mr. W.

## F. Fox, Judge E. C. Minor, Mr. B. B. Valentine, Mr. A. H. Hill and Mr. F. P. Erent.

MR. LAMB FIRED AT.

#### Young Lawyer Had Exciting Experience Last Night With Intruder.

Mr. John A. Lamb, son of the Congress-man, had an exciting experience late last night with a man who, he thought, was night with a man who, he thought, was a burglar. He fired at the man five times and the man fired two shots in return.

Mr. Lamb was standing on the back perch of residence, No. 123 South Fifth Street, while the would-be intruder was

in the alley.

The midnight caller was white, The midnight caller was white. He came in a cab, and was evidently intending to effect an entrance to a house nearby. He had been drinking and had gone to the wrong house. The servant woke Mr. Lamb, telling him that a burglar was trying to get in. The man ran off after the five shots fired at him and after he had "held his end up" the best he he had held his end up the best he could. The cab driver, Fitz. Lee Chambers (colored), also ran, leaving his vehicle. He returned afterwards and said he had gotten the stranger at the Union Depot, and had taken him to several sa Fons and finally to the alley behind Mr. Lamb's residence. Officers Finnegan, Wiltshire and Wyatt hunted for the disturber of the young lawyer's slumbers, but were unable to find him.

## DRAGGING THE RIVER.

Efforts Being Made to Find the Bodies of Zeller and Bover.

The freshet in James River has subsided and the river is now being dragged for the bodies of Zeller and Boyer, the two men of Fulton who are supposed to have been drowned Tuesday afternoon. been drowned Tuesday afternoon.
The dragging is being conducted by Messrs. Coghill and Haywood. The city tug is also on the watchout for the bodies. A number of the workmen of the Trigg shipyards, with whom Zelier worked, have offered a reward of \$25 for his body.
Up to a late hour last night there were no new developments in the case.

### RHODES DECIDEDLY WEAKER,

Weather, However, is Coo'er, and His Breathing is Better.

# CLAMORING FOR THE DEATH OF WILCOX

Less Than a Verdict in Some Degree Would Cause It.

#### THEY LACK A LEADER

The Judge in His Charge Warns Against Popular Feeling.

#### VERDICT EXPECTED TO-DAY

Thought it Will B: Murder in the Second Degree-The Father of the Prisoner Says He Has the Names of Three Men Who Were Getting Up a Crew to Lynch Him.

(Special Dispatch to The Times.) ELIZABETH CITY, N. C. March 21. At a late hour to-night crowds are gathering along the streets in anticipation of the jury's verdict. Should they say Wilcox is innocent there will likely be an attempt to snatch him from the offiers' hands. That is not probable tothey do not look for a decision until Saturday. The police acknowledge small crowds are collecting, but they do not expect trouble to-night, for the jury is not likely to render their say.

Judge Jones this morning made a feeling charge to the jury. He told them not to consider popular sentiment or prejudice and not to take into account any public demonstration, referring to yesterday's exodus from the courthouse and the ringing of the fire alam. He said other action would do violence to their oaths. He said they should be-fore conviction find that the evidence was not only consistent with guilt, but inconsistent with innocence, and told them to rise above prejudice and passion. THE INSTRUCTIONS.

The court reviewed the evidence and the contentions on both sides. He said he had no opinion and if he should dwell more on one side than the other, he told to jury not to consider it, but to find in accordance with the facts. Among the instructions he gave to the

evidence in the case you can return a verdict of murder in the first degree, or murder in the second degree, or a verdict of not guilty, as you may find the facts to be from the evidence, after applying the facts so found by you to the rules of law given you by the court. "In coming to your verdict you have taken an oath that you will try this this trial. It is your duty not to influenced by anything other than the That if you have formed an ment of this trial, it is the duty of each of you not to allow that opinion or the facts you have heard about the case before you were empanelled in this case to influence your verdict in the least, but tury.

you are to render your verdict from the evidence given by the witnesses and by that alone.

CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE.
"In this case the State relies entirely in this case the state of the prisoner it shall relieve to establish a fact that a crime has been connicted, and in order to establish the guilt of the prisoner it shall fully appear that a crime has been committed and been

ecmmitted by him.
"Every material circumstance relied upon by the State as proof of gullt of the prisoner must be proven beyond a rea sonable doubt, and the circumstances a proven must not only be consistent with his guilt, but must be inconsistent with his innocense, and if there is any reasonable hyopthesis consistent with the innocense of the prisoner, the jury should give him the benefit of the doubt and render a verdict of not suilty.

render a verdict of not guilty.
"If you shall find from the evidence in this case, beyond a reasonable doubt that the prisoner formed the preconceived and fixed purpose in his mind of taking the life of Ella M. Cropsey, the deceased, and in pursuance of such preconceived and fixed purpose did wilfully, with deliberation and premeditation, carry out the preconceived and fixed purpose so the preconceived and fixed purpose so formed in his mind by taking the life of the deceased, then he would be guilty of murder in the first degree, and you

should so render your verdict.
THE DEGREES OF MURDER. "It is not necessary that the purpose and design to kill must exist for any parcuisted before the killing, and if the prisoner formed a fixed and deliberate purpose in his mind to take the life of the decased, and, in pursuance of such fixed and deliberate purpose, did, in a moment after forming such purpose, take the life of the deceased, Ella M. Cropsey, this would constitute a wilful killing with

deliberation and premeditation.
"If you are not satisfied beyond a
doubt that the prisoner is guilty of murder in the first degree, you will proceed to determine whether or not he is guilty

of murder in the second degree.
"If you find from the evidence, beyond
a reasonable doubt, that the prisoner took

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# PHOTOGRAPHS OF DECEASED PASTOR

#### Congregation of Leigh-Street **Baptist Church Buy Pictures** of the Late Mr. Wright.

Mrs. William L. Wright, widow of Dr. Wright, for a number of years pastor of the Leigh-Street Baptist Church, this city has recently sent to the church many photographs of her husband intended for sale.

Mrs. Wright thought the people at Airs. Wright thought the people at Ligh-Street had not forgotten her husband and would like to have something that could be kept in their homes that they and their children might always see and be reminded of the man who labored so helpfully among them. She guessed aright.

She had the photographs mounted on a ardboard and set among brief estimates of Dr. Wright by prominent Baptists of this and other States.

These cards were sent to the church, and by friends offered for sale. The price was ten cents, to cover the expense. In a very short while after the people of the congregation knew that they could be gotten they were all gone. Others could probably as readily have been sold. Dr. Wright was one of the best beloved and mest effective ministers who have labored in this city in the last quarter of a cen-

## COMPROMISE SUFFRAGE PLAN WILL BE BITTERLY FOUGHT

#### Those Opposed to it Force Adjournment and After Long Conferences Adopt a Substitute to Be Offered To-Day.

The compromise suffrage plan was sub- | the plan, which had only been printed mitted to the general conference yesterday, but that was all. It was not con-

sidered. After an hour's fight the plea of the orresition for adjournment until to-day, in order that they might have opportunity to consider the new clause, prevailed, and lines were formed later for

a determined fight. Those of varying views, but all oppesed to the compromise scheme, held afternoon and night conferences, and at the latter adopted what is practically the Meredith plan, and it will be offered in the conference this morning as a substitute for the compromise scheme, after Wysor substitute has been with-

THE PLAN PRESENTED. The convention only sat a few minutes yetterday. There were seventy-three members present, and Rev. S. F. Good-

win offered prayer. Upon application of Richmond Lodge No. 45, B. P. O. E., the use of the convention hall was granted them for Wednesday night, March 26th, for installation ceremonies, their own lodge-room under-

After granting several leaves of absence the convention adjourned, and the Suf-frage Conference was called. Senator Daniel presented to the confer-ence the compromise suffrage plan agreed upon, as he said, by a large majority of

the members of two informal conferences and representing divergent views of that majority as a compromise settlement of

a suffrage measure.

After stating that he would spare the conference the infliction of any address on the suffrage question, he proceeded to read and explain the provisions of the plan, which was printed in full in yester-

day morning's Times.

COULD NOT SUPPORT IT.

Mr. Pollard, of the committee, arose and said he could not vote for any understanding clause and regretted to say that he had to dissent from the plan. He also stated that he, with a great deal of reluctance, had to acknowledge that, in his opinion, if any argument was ever come to in the Democratic conference on the suffrage question it would have to be on the plan presented by Senator Daniel as a basis.

Senator Daniel then offered the plan as a substitute for the Glass plan, which

was pending. Mr. Wysor offered the plan submitted by him as a substitute for the compro-

mise plan.

Mr. Meredith moved that the conference adjourn until Saturday, saying that he had not had an opportunity to examine

in the newspapers, and that he was bitterly opposed to it. Speeches in favo of adjournment were made by Messrs. O'Flaherty, Wysor and others of the opposition, on the ground that they wantd time to understand the new plan. It was explained by Messrs. Stuart, Kendall, R. L. Gordon and Glass, that

Kendall, R. L. Gordon and Glass, that the only material change in the plan from the one which had been printed and discussed for over three months, and known as the Glass minority plan, was that the temporary understanding had been moved up from one year to six years, then moved up as to other features for two years, with power in the Legislature to allow the people to say at the expiration of the understanding clause, whether they would make it permanent or not.

WANTED TO ORGANIZE.

Mr. Meredith contended that his side, who opposed the plan, ought to have time to agree on a plan or to organize their

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# NAVAL COMMITTEE AGAINST SCHLEY

#### All Bills and Resolutions Regarding Him Postponed Indefinitely.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, March 21.-The House

Committee on Naval Affairs by a vote of 7 to 4 to-day adopted a resolution concurring in the conclusions of President Roosevelt as to terminating the agitation He | of Schley controversy and indefinitely postponing all bills and resolutions on the subject.
The report of the subcommittee, as

adopted, gives all the various resolutions which have been introduced, and says:
"Your subcommittee, to whom the sey eral bills and resolutions introduced in the House in relation to Rear-Admiral Winfield Scott Schley, has had the same under consideration, and presents the following report thereon: The unfortunate controversy in regard to the Sen-tiago campaign has attracted wide pub-lic attention and has been the subject of best vocal selections, much to the en-

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## LOVE-FEAST OF THE LEGISLATORS

Richmond Members Entertain Their Colleagues.

#### ELEGANT BANQUET GIVEN

Speaker Ryan Thoroughly at Home as Toastmaster.

HON. J. T. ELLYSON SPEAKS

He Fills the Governor's Place, and Respond on Behalf of Virginia-Lieutegant Gov. ernor Willard Makes a. fit-Fine Speeches, Good Music and a Splendid Megu-Occasion Highly Enjoyable Oce.

Under the soft glow of the chandelle and the mellow warmth of the wine the Richmond members of the House of Delegates entertained their colleagues in the splendid new Banquet Hall in Murphy Annex last night.

Covers were laid for 110, and most of the nembers were present. There was no politics in the affair, and Democrats and Republicans yied with each other in praise of their generous hosts. Governor Montague, who was down for a teast, was unavoldably absent, and his place was filled in an admirable manner by Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson, who responded to the toast "Vir-All the speeches were highly entertaining and created great enthusiasm. Speak

er Ryan presided as toastmaster and performed his post very happily. On the right was Mr. Ellyson and Lieutenant-Governor Wilard occupied a seat to his immediate left. The other speakers were ranged along on either side.

The affair was much in the nature of a love-feast. Everybody present was in a happy frame of mind. There were beautiful flowers and fine music, and four loug tables laden heavily with all the things that tend to refresh inner man.

that tend to refresh inner man. The banquet was a great success, and the Richmond members were warmly praised up their generosity and hospital-

SPEAKING BEGINS. Speaker Ryamarose amid great cheering at 10:20 o'clock and made a brief and happy speech, which he closed by order-ing that a toast to the Richmond delega-the first speaker III. Saylo lyson, who responded to the coast ginia," in the absence of the error Lavior Fi-

tague, who was called from the city by the death of a relative.

Mr. Ellyson's remarks were very happy and elicited frequent bursts of applause He started in by praising Virginia's present young Governor, and then referred in cloquent language to the long line of great men the old State had produced. He pictured a bright future for Virginia. and declared amid great cheering that she would yet resume her old place at the head of the column in the great

march of civilization and progress.

A SPLENDID EFFORT.

"Tidewater" was responded to by Hon.

J. N. Sebrell, of Southampton, whom Speaker Kyan referred to as coming from that section where people are so pres perous that "they toil not, neither de they spin." Mr. Sebrell's speech, while brief, was exceptionally happy, and was one of the decisive hits of the evening He referred in glowing terms to the fact that the English speaking people had first found place in old Tidewater, and that since that hour she had held aloft at all times the banner of civilization. She had a history of which she was proud, yet she had her eyes upon the future, and would make her influence felt for good in the great industrial and political struc-

gles of the old Commonwealth.
WILLARD MAKES A HIT. WILLARD MAKES A HIT.
Lieutenant-Governor Willard was given
a tousing reception as he arose to respond
on behalf of "The Young Men of Virgmia." Captain Willard's remarks wero

the pen swayed the world. Colonel Cabell was very eloquent in his reference to the irfluence of the press upon the public raind, and said it was the most powerful and potent factor of the day for good.
After all, it was of the man behind the pen of whom he arose to speak, and here he launched into a beautiful tribute to the men following the calling in Virginia. Ccionel Cabell closed with an ode to the press of his own production, which was

oudly applauded.
"The Senandoah Valley" was responded to by Hon. George E. Sipe, of Rocking-liam, and it was handled in a most fascinating manner. Mr. Sipe is a smooth and eloquent speaker, and in praising the great section from which he halls he cutdid himself in this line. He caught his audience on the start, and was often

interrupted with applause.

KELLEY'S FINE SPEECH.

Hon. S. L. Kelley was given perhaps the most flattering reception of the evening, as he arose to speak for "The City of Richmond."

He was in fine form, and spoke with more than his accustomed eloquence, which is known far and wide. His remarks fairly bristled with bright hits and beautiful bursts of eloquence, and he kept his hearers convulsed with ap-plause. His tribute to the city of Rich-mond constituted a fitting climax to his brief but brilliant effort, and it was

delivered with wonderful force and it was delivered with wonderful force and with fine effect.

With all his reputation as an orator, Mr. Kelley never appeared to better advantage, and the audience rose up and cheered when he concluded.

Contain Frank W. Cunningham was

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# two churches by thorough organization and equipment. The establishment of a more economic basis of operation. The establishment of a joint theological seminary in the foreign field. The establishment of a joint female seminary in the foreign field. A proposition to establish a joint book I proposition to establish a joint book A proposition to establish a joint book I ley, who was an clevator attendant at the Astor House, was arrested to-day, charged with causing the two mysterious fires in the Astor House last Wednesday night. He made a statement to the police saying that he started the fires and that he did not know why he had done it. He was under the influence of liquor at the was under the influence of liquor at the attention of the latest report, issued at midnight last night, the patient was restless and decidedly weaker.